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Application Serial No. 09/842,662 ) Examiner: Knable, G.  
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Filed: April 27, 2001 ) Confirmation No. 7708  
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For: TYRE FOR A VEHICLE WHEEL )  
AND METHOD OF )  
MANUFACTURING THE TYRE )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Final Office Action mailed February 7, 2005. The items checked below are attached:

☒ Amendment After Final (17 pages).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 20, 2005

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") mailed February 7, 2005, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** begin on page 13 of this paper.